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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.98 the Applicant hereby submits:

(a) the attached list of prior art, which in the reasonable opinion of Applicant may be material to patentability of the claimed invention, within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and/or which has been cited in the Search Report prepared by the European and French Patent Offices in a counterpart foreign application;

(b) copies of the Search Reports, which are attached for the U.S. Examiner to know the first opinion of the European and French Examiners and the portions of the references found pertinent by the Examiners; and

(c) a copy of the references cited under (a).

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Consideration and citation of the references are respectfully solicited.

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